

Fair and Warmer Tonight
and Sunday.

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NEW YEAR HAILED IN JOYOUS MANNER BY WASHINGTONIANS

Last Twelvemonth Quickly
Forgotten in Cheeriness of
Greetings to 1910.

HOSPITALITY SHOWN IN HOME AND CLUB

Following Example of White House
Organizations and Citizens Are
Keeping "Open House."

By SELENE ARMSTRONG.

Whereas:
We know it is New Year, and that
thereafter may be the sins and sorrows
of old 1909;
Be it resolved:
That a clean record lies before us.

Encouraged by the glad welcome of
thousands of men, women, and children,
to mention as many whistles, bells,
horns, the year 1910 has stepped
forth from the house of Father Time,
smiling and happy. So that
Washington today is repeating by sun-
dine the pageant enacted last night by
the glitter of 10,000 fairy lights.

The White House is the hub of this
pageant. At 11 o'clock the great doors
were wide in greeting to the nation,
and the procession began. There was
on 11 until 1 a steady procession of
officials and diplomats, attended by the
honour of official and diplomatic life,
who streamed into the White House
and out again. And 1 o'clock was the
signal hour.

Hospitality Repeated.

The hospitality extended by the White
house is repeated in a more or less
liberate manner, by every individual
home in the city, and by many clubs
and patriotic organizations. The truth
is the "open house" has made
the "open house" is a prevailing theme,
and the exchange of calls and greetings
which these homes and clubs are the
scene.

The University Club is thrown open
to its members and their friends until
1 o'clock.

Members of the Sigma Nu Phi frater-
nity of the National Law School are
giving their friends at 1015 Thirtieth
street, from 3 o'clock until 8 tonight.
At the National Press Club a celebra-
tion which began New Year Eve will be
continued throughout the present after-
noon and coming evening.

The patriotic societies entertaining at
afternoon receptions are:
The Potomac Woman's Relief Corps,
who tender a reception at G. A. R. Hall
on the G. A. R. Sons of Veterans, Span-
ish War Veterans, Army and Navy
Union.

The Mary A. Babcock and Admiral
George Dewey Auxiliaries, at Pythian
temple.
The Ladies' Auxiliary of the G. P. O.
Veterans' Club; the Women of United
Business Grand Circle, G. A. R.

The Washington National Monument
association, which is tendered a recep-
tion by its president, Theodore W.
Joyce, and many others.

Receptions At Missions.

The Central Union Mission is keeping
open house, and Superintendent F. J.
Luzen is holding there a reception, as
are also the women at the Gospel
mission.

The W. C. T. U. is holding a recep-
tion at its building, 522 Sixth street.
At the headquarters of the Salvation
Army and the American Salvation
Army, there are being given Christmas
tree parties for the especial happiness
of the children.

Among the organizations which cele-
brated New Year Eve were the Senger-
bund, which gathered at its clubhouse,
216 C street, where an informal musical
and vaudeville program was rendered;
the Columbia Turnverein, which watch-
ed the old year out and enjoyed a
dinner at the clubhouse on C street, and
the Woman's Auxiliary, No. 12, of Co-
lumbia Typographical Union, No. 101,
which gave its second annual New
Year ball at the Pythian Temple, those
in charge being Mrs. John A. Houston.

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WEATHER REPORT.

A cold wave of marked intensity
appeared in the region north of Montana
Friday, and it has since spread east-
ward and southward.

A marked rise in temperature has
taken place in the Southern and Eastern
States.

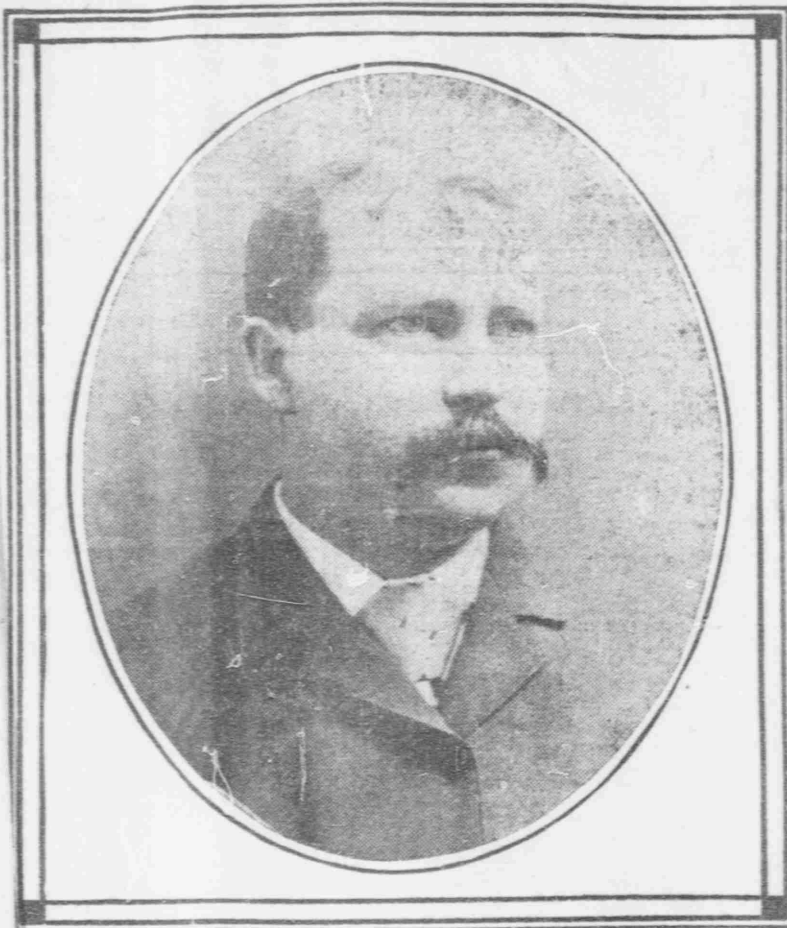
A storm of marked intensity is central
off Nevada, and it is causing
snows in the Northwestern
States.

FORECAST FOR THE DISTRICT.
Fair and warmer tonight and Sun-
day; moderate southwesterly winds.

TEMPERATURE.
8 a. m. 12
9 a. m. 13
10 a. m. 14
11 a. m. 15
12 m. 16
1 p. m. 17
2 p. m. 18
3 p. m. 19
4 p. m. 20
5 p. m. 21
6 p. m. 22
7 p. m. 23
8 p. m. 24
9 p. m. 25
10 p. m. 26
11 p. m. 27
Sun. 28
Sun. 29
Sun. 30
Sun. 31

CONDITION OF WATER.
HARRIS FERRY, Jan. 1.—Both
rivers clear and open.

May Be Commissioner



E. H. THOMAS.

CAPITAL CLOSES PROSPEROUS YEAR

Unprecedented Advancement
Of Business and Com-
merce in Washington.

A year of unprecedented prosperity
and commercial advancement, has be-
hind the National Capital. Facts and figures
conspicuously face 1910. Facts and figures
prove that this advancement has been
real and not imaginary.

Here are some of the things denoting
that the Capital has moved forward and
not backward in the year just passed:
In 1908, 1,752 permits to operate auto-
mobiles were granted; in 1909, 2,023 per-
mits took out licenses. The motor cycle
permits ran 280 and 439 for the two
years.

Hotel licenses, 1908, 84; restaurants, 67.
In 1909, hotels, 92; restaurants, 742.

Postal Receipts Increase.
Postal receipts for 1908, \$1,274,502.93; for
1909, \$1,397,420.36, representing an increase
of \$122,917.43.

Building permits issued in 1908 totaled
5,167. During the past year 6,986 were
issued. The estimated cost of building
operations for 1909 was \$15,619,699, which
is more than \$4,000,000 increase over that
of 1908.

Eight lines of industry illustrate the
commercial growth proper of the city.
The increase in the number of establish-
ments which are enjoying a share of
the public trade and general prosperity,
is shown by the following table:

1908. 1909.
Firms 54 61
Dry goods 49 56
Hardware 49 56
Jewelry 49 56
Lithography 49 56
Lumber dealers 49 56
Machinery shops 49 56
Paper dealers 49 56
Auto factories 49 56

Total 249 291

More Telephones.
The growth of Washington as a busi-
ness and residential city is further evi-
denced by the great increase in the
number of telephones—time savers—now
in use.

SHIP'S DECK FALLS; WORKMEN KILLED

Four Bodies Have Been Re-
covered From "Tramp's"
Hold.

BALTIMORE, Jan. 1.—The "teen
decks of the tramp steamer Luckenbach,
lying off lower Canton, in Baltimore
harbor, collapsed today, burying a num-
ber of men. Four bodies have already
been taken out of the hold and more can
be seen. Just what caused the accident
is not as yet known. The number of
killed or injured will not be ascertained
until a thorough survey of the vessel is
made.

WANT MORE PAY FOR SUCCESSORS

Commissioners Ask Congress To
Increase Salary To
\$7,500.

A bill is to be forwarded by the Com-
missioners to Congress increasing the
salaries of the Commissioners of the
District of Columbia from \$5,000 to \$7,500.

A similar recommendation was includ-
ed by the Commissioners in the District
appropriation bill, but was not received
favorably by the House Committee on
Appropriations, on the ground that this
would be ruled out of the House on a
point of order.

The measure, which was drafted by
Commissioner West, provides that the
army officer detailed as Engineer Com-
missioner shall receive in addition to his
army pay an allowance sufficient to
make his salary equal that of a civil
commissioner.

THOMAS IS SLATED TO ENTER BOARD

Corporation Counsel Strong-
ly Favored as Commis-
sioner of the District.

As matters stand now, E. H. Thomas,
Corporation Counsel for the District,
will be offered the last vacancy on the
Board of District Commissioners.

By a man who discussed the situation
with the President early today, it was
said that, unless something unforeseen
comes up, Mr. Thomas will undoubtedly
be asked to serve with Cuno H. Rudolph
and Major Judson.

Mr. Taft, from the beginning of his
search for the new Commissioner, has
desired to obtain for one of the places
a lawyer of ability. He has decided Mr.
Thomas meets his requirements, and, in
addition to this, he has found that the
Corporation Counsel is recommended for
the position by the best elements of the
District's people.

Would Accept.
Mr. Thomas' friends say he will ac-
cept the place.

Mr. Thomas is a native of the Dis-
trict of Columbia, and this is an ad-
ditional recommendation in the eyes of
the President, who wishes to comply
with the request of Washingtonians
that they have at the head of their
government strictly local men.

He not only has the reputation as a
practicing attorney of great ability,
but he has taught law at Howard Uni-
versity and at the National University
Law School.

Georgetown Graduate.
He was born in Washington, Novem-
ber 21, 1856. He was graduated from the
law department of Georgetown Univer-
sity and has been in the active practice
of his profession since May, 1877.

He was made Assistant United States
District Attorney by A. S. Worthington
in 1884, in which position he served two
years. On October 30, 1890, he was ap-
pointed First Assistant Corporation
Counsel, and he continued in that office
until he was promoted to the place of
Corporation Counsel.

WOMEN TO ASSIST IN CONSERVATION OF ALL RESOURCES

Daughters of American Revolu-
tion Will Help Spread
Roosevelt Policies.

GOVERNORS SUGGEST HOW THEY MAY AID

Committee of One Hundred to Be
Central Body for Campaign
Work.

In an effort to prove that the ac-
tivity of women's organizations is not
limited to sewing circle movements and
sundry agitation one hundred members
of the Daughters of the American Revolu-
tion today announced their active par-
ticipation in the campaign for conserva-
tion of the natural resources of the
nation by giving out for publication a
statement of the views of the governors
of many States, solicited by them.

The question has been troubling the
men up on Capitol Hill and White
House officials for some time. The
women think there has been entirely
too much talk on the subject, and they
are going to clean it up without more
ado.

Their efforts attracted public atten-
tion for the first time today when it
became known that governors of prac-
tically all the States of the Union had
been enlisted in their aid. The gov-
ernors were not asked to help, they
were merely requested to make sug-
gestions. The women intend to gain
for themselves a large share of the
credit for what they accomplish.

Many Opportunities Offered.
The question asked the governors was,
"How May Women Help the Conser-
vation Movement?" and the D. A. R.
leaders were naturally gratified when
the governors replied that they could
help a whole lot, and pointed out many
opportunities for their assistance.

Some of the means suggested were:
To organize publicity committees in
all the chapters of the D. A. R. so-
cieties.

To organize a "bear on men" who
were voters and on officials whose in-
fluence was worth while.

To organize conservation clubs.
To formulate plans to raise funds
for carrying on the publicity campaign.

Roosevelt Policies Adopted.
A conservation committee of the D.
A. R. will be the central body for the
campaign workers. On the committee,
at the suggestion of Chief Forester
Gifford Pinchot are 100 women. Many
of them are wives of influential public
men.

"We intend to carry the 'Roosevelt
policies' into every village and hamlet
in the country," said one of the work-
ers today. "No public official will be
allowed any rest or peace of mind un-
less he has set himself on record with
the women of the nation."

The exhortation said out from head-
quarters today to all D. A. R. societies
urges women to "begin the New Year
with the determination to use all hon-
orable means to carry out the sugges-
tions of the governors."

Some of the suggestions received
were:

North Dakota.
Our efforts should be directed first to
the conservation of our very fertile soil,
the conservation of our waters, our for-
ests, our coal, our gas—but most of all
our soil, upon which there are so many
depending for existence.

Our women can render invaluable as-
sistance. When the women are united,
men are not only willing, but anxious to
do their bidding.

JOHN BURKE, Governor.

Wisconsin.
Advanced legislation along all lines of
conservation will be considered at the
next session of our legislature.

Although the work is well organized
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Committee's Active Head



MRS. AMOS G. DRAPER,
Washington Woman Who Is Chairman In Charge of D. A. R. Work of Conser-
vation.

PLEA FROM PULPITS FOR HELP TO FUND

All Are Urged to Buy
Papers Tomorrow
Afternoon.

Practically every citizen throughout
the city will be asked to contribute 1
cent toward charity tomorrow after-
noon.

That virtually is what the cry of the
hundreds of newsboys will mean when
The Sunday Evening edition of The
Times is offered for sale. There are but
few men who would begrudge one
penny for charity.

As previously announced, The Times,
with the sanction and hearty approval
of Judge De Lacy, president of the so-
ciety, the Rev. Dr. Russell, and a dozen
others of the Catholic clergy interested
in the movement, will donate its entire
proceeds from the sale of The Times
tomorrow to the Society of St. Vincent
de Paul.

Parishioners throughout Washington
have been urged by their ministers to
purchase The Times Sunday evening.
Twenty thousand extra papers will be
printed and with the volunteer news-
boys from every parish it is believed
that the entire charity edition will be
exhausted.

Every penny goes to the Home Placing
Bureau for Homeless Children—recently
organized for the purpose of providing
homeless ones with homes. It is a great
offer and deserves the support of every
one," says Judge De Lacy, of the Ju-
venile Court. His sentiments were
echoed by Father McDonnell, of St.
Alkyous; Father Russell, of St. Pat-
rick's; Father Corbett, of Holy Trinity;
Father O'Rourke, of St. Dominic's; and
others who have been seen by representa-
tives of The Times. All of these have
sent from the beginning their moral aid
to the proposal.

EARTHQUAKE SHOCK IS RECORDED HERE

Distinct Tremors Indicate
Disaster—Located in
Central America.

Earthquake shocks of unusual vio-
lence and lasting nearly two hours were
recorded on the seismograph at the
Weather Bureau this morning. The
shocks began shortly after 6 o'clock this
morning and lasted until just before 8
o'clock.

The instrument indicated the place as
being about 2,000 miles south by south-
east of Washington, which would locate
it in Central America. The shocks were
each about three minutes' duration, and
came at frequent intervals until the
tremors finally ceased.

Felt In St. Louis.
ST. LOUIS, Jan. 1.—An earthquake
shock was recorded on the seismograph
at St. Louis University early today. The
disturbance continued thirty-four min-
utes and twenty seconds.

Father Goeese, of the university, says
the shock moved from west to east, and
he believes it started somewhere in the
Pacific ocean and moved toward the At-
lantic coast.

VISITOR WITH "GUN" STOPPED BY POLICE

Boston Man Is Said to Have
Come for Presidential
Reception.

Frank M. Tower, who, the police say,
came to Washington from Boston to
attend the Presidential reception at the
White House today, is locked up at the
First precinct station on a charge of
carrying concealed weapons. Tower, who
was accompanied by his wife and young
son, was arrested shortly before 12
o'clock last night as he stepped from a
train at Union Station by Detectives
Cornwell and Mudd.

While the police refuse to discuss the
case today, Inspector Boardman, Chief
of Detectives, is said to have received a
dispatch from the Boston police to be
on the lookout for Tower. Acting on
this information, the inspector sent a
squad of detectives to the station last
night, and the man was taken into cus-
tody before he passed through to the
waiting room.

Tower is a barber, and gives his ad-
dress as 3 Trenton row, Boston. He is
forty-four years old. For some reason
the prisoner was not taken to Police
Court this morning, but was held at
the First precinct station.

SEVEN ARE INJURED IN TROLLEY WRECK

WILMINGTON, Del., Jan. 1.—In the
worst head-on collision in the history
of the Wilmington, Newcastle and
Southern railway today, seven persons
were hurt, one perhaps fatally.

The most seriously injured is Samuel
Tophin, motorman on one of the cars.
The accident occurred seven miles be-
low this city on a single line of track,
and was due to a heavy fog, the road
being along the Delaware river.

THOUSANDS EXTEND SEASON'S GREETINGS TO HEAD OF NATION

Citizens of Every Degree
Honor President at White
House Today.

DIPLOMATS FORM GORGEOUS PARADE

Ideal Conditions Bring Out Great
Throng for Taft's First
Public Reception.

President and Mrs. Taft held their
first New Year reception at the White
House today.

When it was all over the expansive
smile that has become famous and the
hand-shaking endurance of the Presi-
dent had been put to the severest test.
Both made good.

Citizens of high and low degree met
the Chief Executive and the first lady
of the land today. Diplomats in all
the splendor prescribed by foreign
courts, Cabinet officers, staid justices
of the Supreme and other court's gen-
erals and admirals from the army and
navy, their gorgeous uniforms varying
with their rank; veterans of the Senate
and House, and the new member who
was witnessing his first; assistant sec-
retaries and other District and Govern-
ment officials, war veterans, and just
thousands of the plain people—all were
there.

It was "open house" at the White
House, and the President and Mrs. Taft
left nothing undone to make it a most
democratic and representative Ameri-
can affair.

Ideal Conditions.
Ideal weather conditions, in contrast
to those prevailing at some similar oc-
casions in former years, brought out
one of the greatest gatherings from un-
official Washington ever to assemble
around the White House doors. More
than an hour before the time set for the
President to receive the first in the
long line—the Vice-President, members
of the Cabinet, and the diplomatic
corps—the thousands had begun to
form a long wavering column that fill-
ed the White House road and stretched
far up Pennsylvania avenue. Thus the
plain American citizen—who is distinct-
ly persona grata at the White House
on New Year Day—stood and bided his
time while the President, according to
custom, greeted the representatives of
this and other governments in the or-
der of their rank.

Until one reaches that part of the
line where the plain citizen stands, rank
is a thing that must be observed
strictly when the President reaches for
the outstretched hand. Once let the
Chief Executive dispose of officialdom
and the rest is easy sailing—the man
who drove a coach yesterday may be a
plain millionaire, the coy little wait-
ress may ask in the Presidential smile
with the society queen, for it is New
Year Day and everything is democratic.

At the first Taft reception there was
no gathering of especially invited guests
in the Blue Room. The ill health of
Mrs. Taft is partly responsible for this
innovation, it being thought best to
conserve her strength by omitting the
personal guests.

Promptly at 11 o'clock four buglers
stepped from the band and sounded the
Presidential fanfare. The Chief Exe-
cutive and Mrs. Taft left the apart-
ments on the second floor and started
down the great main staircase. With
the Vice-President and Mrs. Sherman
and the members of the Cabinet and
their wives, they took their positions at
the southern end of the Blue Room.
Then began the formal reception of the
diplomatic corps, the "elite" of official
Washington life.

It was a gorgeous procession of diplo-
mats—as it always has been and ever
will be. In all the brilliant panoply of
the court, costumes of various nations—the
smaller the nation, in some in-
stances, the more brilliant the costume
—they filed by. The Taft smile was
having its first New Year try-out, and
recently, the President wasn't con-
serving his strength for the final laps
of the hospitality race.

BRILLIANCY MARKS RECEPTION TODAY

The first New Year reception of the
Taft Administration, held at the White
House this morning, was one of un-
precedented brilliancy, even for a White
House function.

The day was auspicious, the crisp
bracing air and bright sunshine bring-
ing out many who would otherwise have
been unable to attend.

Mrs. Taft displayed her careful at-
tention to detail in the graceful ar-
rangement of the State suite, which
was all thrown open and effectively
decorated with American Beauty roses,
carnations, and ferns. A distinctive
innovation was a pedestal in the green
parlor, topped with a handsome vase
filled with greenery.

As the trumpeters sounded the Presi-
dent's call, and the Marine Band
played "Hail to the Chief," the Presi-
dent and Mrs. Taft descended the stair-
way from the upper apartments, pre-
ceded by his military aides, and fol-
lowed by the Cabinet officers and their
wives, in the order of their rank. En-
tering the Blue Room, the official re-
ception room, through the north door
from the corridor, the line formed
against the south wall, and the re-
ception began promptly.

Mrs. Taft Wears
White Crepe Gown.

Mrs. Taft, who stood to the right of
the President, looked exceptionally well
in a handsome draped gown of white
crepe.

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LAUREL WREATHS AND LEMONS

A CLUB in Brooklyn turned the portrait of an old member, Dr. Frederick A. Cook, to the wall
last Wednesday night. A current magazine has labeled him "the monumental faker of all
the ages."

What do you think of Cook? Have you an understanding of the conditions that provoked
Peary's outburst about him? Do you know who belong in the company of modern fakers? Have
you read in old tales of the North anything of the madness of the cold?

A moderate and sane study of these matters will appear in tomorrow's

Sunday Evening Edition of The Washington Times
By Allen D. Albert, Jr.

It is not a mere catalogue of "points" in a controversy. As far as it relates to the two explorers
of the North it is new comment of refreshing interest. As far as it relates to the company of the
fakers it begins where the encyclopedia leaves off—with the fakers of our own time.

You will be amazed to see how many there have been "with long distance, ground and lofty,
Graeco-Roman, and catch-as-catch-can records" to make any other modern go some to get in their
class.

You will also be amazed to learn how much more profitable Mme. Humbert, Cassie Chadwick,
"520 Per Cent Miller," Whitaker Wright, and the two "Arizona Diamond" miners found their games
than any explorer in history has found his.

REMEMBER!
The Proceeds of the Times Sales
Go to a Worthy Charity Tomorrow